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Shed—B's Next Meeting—C—Benefit  
for the Stage Fund.

Capt. Kea calls a meeting of Com-  
pany G for this evening in the com-  
pany room at the armory. Drill will  
be held on armory square. In the  
first part of the evening Sergt. Ferry  
will instruct the privates of the com-  
pany in the manual.

A half dozen Company C men who  
did not see The Star turned up at the  
drill shed Tuesday evening for com-  
pany drill.

The chairs in the drill shed were  
stacked this morning and companies  
will hereafter meet in their respective  
rooms.

No responses have yet been received  
by Capt. McCarthy to the challenge  
of the first team of Company D to  
shoot any ten men of any other Com-  
pany. While the preference was given  
F Company for the first fall, the chal-  
lenge is open to all comers. Capt. Mc-  
Carthy's men are anxious to test the  
"good eyes" of about a half dozen reg-  
iment teams in the next two months.

Lieut. Jacobson will order a drill of  
Company B for tomorrow night. The  
men will assemble in the Company  
room. As there will be a chance for  
but one more meeting before the vaca-  
tion the commanding officer hopes  
to see a large turnout.

Company C will hold a caucus and  
drill tomorrow evening. The caucus  
will be in reference to the competitive  
meet next week. Another drill will be  
held Friday evening.

Company D will have rehearsal in  
loadings and firings on Friday even-  
ing. This will complete the list pre-  
scribed for the competitive meet. D is  
a determined competitor for the prize.  
The steps and verandas around head-  
quarters are receiving a new coat of  
paint.

Soldiers will patronize liberally the  
benefit to the First Regiment by the  
Elsie Adair Company on Saturday  
evening. Every dollar taken in goes  
to the stage fund. Local talent will  
assist the company.

## A CRIME TO LAUGH.

Queer Sunday Laws of 1781 That Still  
Govern England's Lord's Day.

The introduction of the Sunday bill  
by Lord Hobhouse brings up the fact  
that we are governed in respect to Sun-  
day observances by an act of the year  
1781.

It seems that a Sunday lecture can al-  
ways be made the subject of prosecution.  
Some time ago a Sunday lecturer at  
Leeds was actually sacrilegious enough  
to make his audience laugh. The pro-  
secutor of the lecture hall was thereupon  
prosecuted for keeping a disorderly  
house.

Music can now be given in the open  
air on Sunday, but if it is given in a  
room nothing must be charged for  
chairs. In other words, it will be possi-  
ble for any body of men and women to  
run Sunday concerts and Sunday lec-  
tures with the view of making them pay  
expenses, but not for their own profit.

In the years 1200 and 1201 one Eusta-  
ce, abbot of Flaye, preached through-  
out England the observance of the Lord's  
day. He enjoined that no kind of work  
should be done after the ninth hour on  
Saturday until sunrise on Monday.

According to the manner of the times  
his preaching was backed up by mira-  
cles. At Beverly a carpenter persisting  
in finishing a wedge after the ninth  
hour fell down in paralysis. In the same  
town a woman went on with her weav-  
ing after the ninth hour. Result, par-  
alysis, with loss of voice.

At Rufferton a man made a loaf and  
baked it on Saturday evening. When he  
broke it on Sunday morning, blood started  
from it. At Wakefield a miller,  
grinding after hours, ground out blood  
instead of flour.

In Lincolnshire a woman made a loaf  
and put it in the oven. It remained  
dough! In the same county a pious  
woman, finding it was the ninth hour,  
set aside her loaves. Lo! On Sunday  
morning the loaves were beautifully  
baked without any fire at all.

And yet, the chronicler adds, in spite  
of these miracles the people have re-  
turned to the holding of markets on the  
Sunday—London Queen.

One night when Mr. Isaac Reese was  
stopping with me, says M. F. Hatch,  
a prominent merchant of Quartermas-  
ter, Washington, I heard him groan-  
ing. On going to his room I found  
him suffering from cramp colic. He  
was in such agony that I feared he  
would die. I hastily gave him a dose  
of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and  
Diarrhoea Remedy. He was soon re-  
lieved and the first words he uttered  
were, "what was that stuff you gave  
me?" I informed him. A few days  
ago we were talking about his attack  
and he said he was never without that  
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## ALL ON ONE "SPLIT."

A Run of Luck Which Enriched an Im-  
pudent Gambler.

Some years ago, when gambling flour-  
ished in Washington, two of the most  
enthusiastic votaries of faro were old  
Bill Lunsford and Adam Koch. They  
usually backed the animal together, and  
when they had a winning streak the  
bank proprietor was apt to walk the  
floor nervously, and there would be shift-  
ing of dealers every quarter of an hour  
or so. When the fickle goddess frowned  
upon them, however, there was joy in  
the heart of the man who carried the  
roll, and pleasures and venison were li-  
able to mark the next night's supper.  
They always played the limit, which  
was \$25 to "cenes" in most of the rooms  
in their day, whether their luck was  
good or bad, and consequently they won  
big money or lost their stakes in short  
order.

One night Koch went up into Jones'  
place, over Charlie Godfrey's saloon, on  
E street, without a cent in his pocket.  
Lunsford was spread out before the faro  
table, with red chips at \$1.25 apiece  
stacked up in front of him and stacks  
covering the case cards on the board. He  
was tipsy and unsocial, and when Koch  
suggested the loan of a couple of stacks  
he was met with a stormy refusal. He  
sat down and watched the play, how-  
ever, and at last Lunsford, who was  
calling for a small bottle every other  
turn, got drunk and put a pile of chips  
on the king, of which only one had  
shown. In a moment two kings followed  
each other in the deal, and Jim Davis,  
who was dealing, took down half of  
Lunsford's bet. In doing so he found the  
latter had put 19 chips instead of 20 on  
the card, and consequently he left nine  
chips and a split, or half a check, on it.  
Lunsford was wild. He hated a split  
worse than any gambler who ever played  
a system, and he turned on Koch.

"You wanted a stake, darn you, and  
now you can have it," he exclaimed,  
and he threw the split at Koch. The  
latter coolly picked up the 62½ cents  
and put it on a card. It won. He shifted  
the chip to another place, and it won  
again. Here and there he moved the  
chips over the table, now connecting  
them and now playing them open, and  
every time he won. At the end of the  
deal he had \$30. At the end of the next  
he had \$245. The news got out on the  
street that Adam Koch had struck a  
winning streak. This was enough to  
crowd Jones' place with curious and  
excited spectators. At midnight Koch was  
\$1,400 ahead of the game. At 5 o'clock  
in the morning he arose and called for  
a bottle of wine and paid the boy with  
a \$10 bill out of a roll containing just  
\$2,690. That was the luckiest gambler  
ever known in Washington. And Luns-  
ford went broke trying to copper Koch's  
steady luck.—Chicago Times-Herald.

## Canine Etiquette.

Conventional rules are most useful in  
intercourse with strangers, and this feel-  
ing, the result of deliberate reflection  
among men, seems quite as well under-  
stood by animals. The number of steps  
which a prince or ambassador might ad-  
vance to meet the other without derogat-  
ing from his dignity, and the frequent  
halts and bows, find a parallel in the  
amusing form of canine etiquette, when  
one dog "spies a stranger" at a distance.  
The first dog stops short, then trots on  
a little, then crouches and finally lies flat  
down, with its nose on its paws, like a  
skirmisher ordered to open fire on the  
enemy. The other dog, which was less  
quick sighted, sometimes lies down, too,  
but more usually trots slowly up, with  
occasional halts.

The action of the first seems clearly to  
be a survival of a time when a dog nat-  
urally crouched in order to conceal itself  
the moment it saw any other creature  
which might hurt it or which, on the  
contrary, it might want to stalk. The  
sudden drop is something like that of a  
setter when "creeping" up on to the  
birds, but more like the crouch of the  
fox when it sees a hare or wants to con-  
ceal itself from persons whom it sees  
while it is still unseen. But now it is  
observed as pure convention, one which  
is obviously mere show, but to omit  
which would be a breach of canine etiq-  
uette which might and sometimes does  
lead to a fight.—London Spectator.

## Begging an Industry.

There are numbers of villages in Rus-  
sia in which begging is the staple indus-  
try. No one does anything else. It is  
stated in the labor commission report on  
that country that "nearly 3,000 out of  
the 3,500 persons in the districts of In-  
zar and Saransk are beggars," and that  
the whole population of the village of  
Marin live by means of begging. And  
these are by no means isolated cases. In  
many other districts precisely the same  
style of things prevails.

In a real beggars' village all the in-  
habitants, including even the starost  
and other local dignitaries, are enrolled  
in a company, which is divided into  
parties. These parties go out in turn on  
begging picnics. The booty they bring  
back is regarded as common property,  
and the population depends upon it for  
their support.—Good Words.

## The Word Cigar.

The word "cigar" is believed to come  
from the Spanish cigarra, meaning a  
grasshopper, and at first the significance  
and propriety of the term seem ques-  
tionable. But in Spanish a garden was  
cigaral, or the place where the grass-  
hopper sang. Tobacco was usually grown  
in a cigaral, and when the leaves were  
rolled up and brought to a guest the  
host, specially to recommend the prod-  
uct, was careful to state that it was  
grown in his own cigaral. Thus the  
word which means grasshopper came, in  
a modified form, to be applied to the  
habitat of the grasshopper, and finally  
to the cigar, whose material was grown  
there.

## He Needed One.

Cholly Chumpleigh—Was out last  
night. Had a head on me this morning.  
Miss Coldwell—If I were you, I'd stay  
out late every night.—New York Her-  
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